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The Board adopted the Agenda.

9 February 2015

Election of the Bureau and Appointment of the Rapporteur

In accordance with the Rules of Procedure of the Board, the Board elected Mr Samuel Beever (Australia, List D) as President for a one-year term. Ms Vibeke Gram Mortensen (Denmark, List D) was elected as Alternate.

The Board elected Ms Elvira Elena Barrios Icaza (Panama, List C) as Vice-President. Mr Juan Carlos Sarmiento Umbarila (Colombia, List C) was elected as Alternate.

The Board elected as members of the Bureau, representing the other three WFP electoral lists, for a one-year term: Mr Robert Sabiiti (Uganda, List A); H.E. Saywan Sabir Mustafa Barzani (Iraq, List B) and Mr Victor Fedorinov (Russian Federation, List E). Elected as Alternates were: H.E. Crisantos Obama Ondo (Equatorial Guinea, List A); Mr Lee Je-hyoung (Republic of Korea, List B); and Mr Andrzej Halasiewicz (Poland, List E).

In accordance with Rule XII of its Rules of Procedure, the Board appointed Mr Andrzej Halasiewicz (Poland, List E) Rapporteur of the First Regular Session of 2015.

9 February 2015

The decisions and recommendations in the current report will be implemented by the Secretariat in the light of the Board's deliberations, from which the main comments will be reflected in the summary of the work of the session.

CURRENT AND FUTURE STRATEGIC ISSUES

2015/EB.1/1 Opening Remarks by the Executive Director

The Board took note of the presentation by the Executive Director. The main points of the presentation and the Board's comments would be contained in the summary of the work of the session.

9 February 2015

EVALUATION REPORTS

2015/EB.1/2 **Summary Evaluation Report of WFP's Cash and Voucher Policy (2008–2014) and Management Response**

The Board took note of "Summary Evaluation Report of WFP's Cash and Voucher Policy (2008–2014)" (WFP/EB.1/2015/5-A) and the management response in WFP/EB.1/2015/5-A/Add.1, and encouraged further action on the recommendations, taking into account considerations raised by the Board during its discussion.

9 February 2015

2015/EB.1/3 **Summary Evaluation Report of WFP's Use of Pooled Funds for Humanitarian Preparedness and Response (2009–2013) and Management Response**

The Board took note of "Summary Evaluation Report of WFP's Use of Pooled Funds for Humanitarian Preparedness and Response (2009–2013)" (WFP/EB.1/2015/5-B) and the management response in WFP/EB.1/2015/5-B/Add.1, and encouraged further action on the recommendations, taking into account considerations raised by the Board during its discussion.

9 February 2015

2015/EB.1/4 **Summary Report of the Strategic Evaluation of WFP's Pilot Purchase for Progress Initiative (2008–2013) and Management Response**

The Board took note of "Summary Report of the Strategic Evaluation of WFP's Pilot Purchase for Progress Initiative (2008–2013)" (WFP/EB.1/2015/5-C) and the management response in WFP/EB.1/2015/5-C/Add.1, and encouraged further action on the recommendations, taking into account considerations raised by the Board during its discussion.

9 February 2015

ADMINISTRATIVE AND MANAGERIAL MATTERS

2015/EB.1/5 **Reports by the Joint Inspection Unit Relevant to the Work of WFP**

The Board took note of the information and recommendations in "Reports by the Joint Inspection Unit Relevant to the Work of WFP" (WFP/EB.1/2015/10).

9 February 2015

SOUTHERN AFRICA PORTFOLIO

2015/EB.1/6 Country Programmes — Madagascar 200733 (2015–2019)

The Board approved proposed country programme Madagascar 200733 for 2015–2019 (WFP/EB.1/2015/6-A), for which the food transfer requirement is 49,677 mt at a cost of USD 31.6 million, the cash and voucher transfer cost is USD 3.2 million, and the capacity development and augmentation cost is USD 7 million. The total cost to WFP is USD 69 million.

9 February 2015

2015/EB.1/7 Budget Increases to Development Activities — Zambia Country Programme 200157

The Board approved the proposed budget increase of USD 9.2 million for Zambia country programme 200157 (WFP/EB.1/2015/7-A/2), with an extension of ten months from March 2015 to December 2015.

9 February 2015

ASIA PORTFOLIO

2015/EB.1/8 Summary Evaluation Report – Indonesia Country Portfolio (2009–2013) and Management Response

The Board took note of "Summary Evaluation Report – Indonesia Country Portfolio (2009–2013)" (WFP/EB.1/2015/5-D) and the management response in WFP/EB.1/2015/5-D/Add.1, and encouraged further action on the recommendations, taking into account considerations raised by the Board during its discussion.

10 February 2015

2015/EB.1/9 Protracted Relief and Recovery Operations — Philippines 200743

The Board approved the proposed Philippines protracted relief and recovery operation 200743 "Enhancing the Resilience of Communities and Government Systems in Regions Affected by Conflict and Disasters" (WFP/EB.1/2015/7-B/1).

10 February 2015

LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN PORTFOLIO

2015/EB.1/10 Budget Increases to Development Activities — Honduras Country Programme 200240

The Board approved the proposed budget increase of USD 12.2 million for Honduras country programme 200240 (WFP/EB.1/2015/7-A/1/Rev.1).

10 February 2015

2015/EB.1/11 Protracted Relief and Recovery Operations — Colombia 200708

The Board approved the proposed protracted relief and recovery operation Colombia 200708 "Reintegration of Persons Affected by the Conflict" (WFP/EB.1/2015/7-B/2*).

10 February 2015

EAST AND CENTRAL AFRICA PORTFOLIO

2015/EB.1/12 Protracted Relief and Recovery Operations — Kenya (refugees) 200737

The Board approved the proposed protracted relief and recovery operation Kenya 200737 "Food Assistance for Refugees" (WFP/EB.1/2015/7-B/3*).

10 February 2015

2015/EB.1/13 Protracted Relief and Recovery Operations — Kenya (relief) 200736

The Board approved the proposed protracted relief and recovery operation Kenya 200736 "Bridging Relief and Resilience in the Arid and Semi-Arid Lands" (WFP/EB.1/2015/7-B/4).

10 February 2015

SUMMARY OF THE WORK OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

2015/EB.1/14 Summary of the Work of the Second Regular Session of the Executive Board, 2014

The Board approved "Draft Summary of the Work of the Second Regular Session of the Executive Board, 2014", the final version of which would be embodied in the document WFP/EB.2/2014/14.

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   c) Summary Report of the Strategic Evaluation of WFP's Pilot Purchase for Progress Initiative (2008–2013) and Management Response
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DECISIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE ANNUAL SESSION OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD, 2015

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Adoption of the Agenda

The Board adopted the Agenda.

25 May 2015

Election for Vacant Positions in the Bureau and Appointment of the Rapporteur

The Board elected H.E. Stephanie Hochstetter Skinner-Klée (Guatemala, List C) as member of the Bureau and Vice-President of the Board.

In accordance with Rule XII of its Rules of Procedure, the Board appointed H.E. Crisantos Obama Ondo (Equatorial Guinea, List A) Rapporteur of the Annual Session of 2015.

25 May 2015

The decisions and recommendations in the current report will be implemented by the Secretariat in the light of the Board's deliberations, from which the main comments will be reflected in the summary of the work of the session.

CURRENT AND FUTURE STRATEGIC ISSUES

2015/EB.A/1 Opening Remarks by the Executive Director

The Board took note of the presentation by the Executive Director. The main points of the presentation and the Board's comments would be contained in the summary of the work of the session.

25 May 2015

ANNUAL REPORTS

2015/EB.A/2 Annual Performance Report for 2014

The Board approved the Annual Performance Report for 2014 (WFP/EB.A/2015/4*), noting that it provided a comprehensive record of WFP performance for the year.

25 May 2015

POLICY ISSUES

2015/EB.A/3 Gender Policy (2015–2020)

The Board approved "Gender Policy (2015–2020)" (WFP/EB.A/2015/5-A).

25 May 2015

2015/EB.A/4 South–South and Triangular Cooperation Policy

The Board approved "South–South and Triangular Cooperation Policy" (WFP/EB.A/2015/5-D).

25 May 2015

2015/EB.A/5 Enterprise Risk Management Policy

The Board approved "Enterprise Risk Management Policy" (WFP/EB.A/2015/5-B).

26 May 2015

2015/EB.A/6 Policy on Building Resilience for Food Security and Nutrition

The Board approved "Policy on Building Resilience for Food Security and Nutrition" (WFP/EB.A/2015/5-C).

26 May 2015

2015/EB.A/7 Anti-Fraud and Anti-Corruption Policy

The Board approved the revised "Anti-Fraud and Anti-Corruption Policy" (WFP/EB.A/2015/5-E/1).

The Board also took note of the comments of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (ACABQ) (WFP/EB.A/2015/6(A,B,C,D,E,F,G,H,I,J,K/2), WFP/EB.A/2015/5-E/2), and the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) Finance Committee (WFP/EB.A/2015/6(A,B,C,D,E,F,G,H,I,J,K)/3, WFP/EB.A/2015/5-E/3).

26 May 2015

RESOURCE, FINANCIAL AND BUDGETARY MATTERS

2015/EB.A/8 Annual Report of the Audit Committee

The Board took note of "Annual Report of the Audit Committee" (WFP/EB.A/2015/6-E/1).

The Board also took note of the comments of the ACABQ (WFP/EB.A/2015/6(A,B,C,D,E,F,G,H,I,J,K)/2, WFP/EB.A/2015/5-E/2), and the FAO Finance Committee (WFP/EB.A/2015/6(A,B,C,D,E,F,G,H,I,J,K)/3, WFP/EB.A/2015/5-E/3).

26 May 2015

2015/EB.A/9 Audited Annual Accounts, 2014

The Board:

i) approved the 2014 Annual Financial Statements of WFP, together with the Report of the External Auditor, pursuant to General Regulation XIV.6 (b);

ii) noted the funding from the General Fund of USD 4,507,782.37 during 2014 for the write-off of cash losses and receivables; and

iii) noted post-delivery losses of commodities during 2014 forming part of the operating expenses for the same period.

The Board also took note of the comments of the ACABQ (WFP/EB.A/2015/6(A,B,C,D,E,F,G,H,I,J,K)/2, WFP/EB.A/2015/5-E/2), and the FAO Finance Committee (WFP/EB.A/2015/6(A,B,C,D,E,F,G,H,I,J,K)/3, WFP/EB.A/2015/5-E/3).

26 May 2015

2015/EB.A/10 Appointment of Three Members to the Audit Committee

The Board approved the appointments of the following candidates as members of the Audit Committee:

- Mr Suresh Kana (South Africa);
- Ms Elaine June Cheung (China); and
- Mr Omkar Goswami (India).

Their three-year terms will begin on 15 November 2015 and expire on 14 November 2018.

The Board also took note of the comments of the ACABQ (WFP/EB.A/2015/6(A,B,C,D,E,F,G,H,I,J,K)/2, WFP/EB.A/2015/5-E/2), and the FAO Finance Committee (WFP/EB.A/2015/6(A,B,C,D,E,F,G,H,I,J,K)/3, WFP/EB.A/2015/5-E/3).

26 May 2015

2015/EB.A/11 Progress on the Financial Framework Review, including Indirect Support Costs

Taking note of "Progress on the Financial Framework Review, including Indirect Support Costs" (WFP/EB.A/2015/6-C/1 + Corr.1) and the consultations to finalize the indirect support cost review, the Board:

i) welcomed the update on the Financial Framework Review, and looked forward to further regular updates;

ii) took note of the conclusions of the indirect support cost review contained in this document;

iii) took note that all uses of the Programme Support and Administrative Equalization Account balance would continue to be approved by the Board and endorsed the use of the balance on the Programme Support and Administrative Equalization Account for the following purposes:

a) to cover any difference between indirect support cost income and approved Programme Support and Administrative expenditure;

b) as a reserve to underwrite risk of decreases in indirect support cost income or underfunding of the Programme Support and Administrative budget;

c) for critical corporate initiatives or thematic support funds; and

d) for strengthening WFP's reserves;

iv) endorsed the use of net interest income that accrues to the unearmarked portion of the General Fund: i) to strengthen WFP's reserves and enhance the management of financial risk; ii) to fund critical corporate initiatives if funds in the Programme Support and Administrative Equalization Account are insufficient; and iii) to fund recurring costs only as a last resort; and

v) looked forward to the further review of the Programme Support and Administrative Equalization Account target level.

The Board also took note of the comments of the ACABQ (WFP/EB.A/2015/6(A,B,C,D,E,F,G,H,I,J,K)/2, WFP/EB.A/2015/5-E/2), and the FAO Finance Committee (WFP/EB.A/2015/6(A,B,C,D,E,F,G,H,I,J,K)/3, WFP/EB.A/2015/5-E/3).

26 May 2015

2015/EB.A/12 Strategic Utilization of WFP's PSA Equalization Account

Having considered document WFP/EB.A/2015/6-D/1, the Board approved transfers from the Programme Support and Administrative Equalization Account of:

i) USD 50 million to the Immediate Response Account;
ii) USD 10 million for the creation of a Wellness Programme Fund; and
iii) USD 18 million for critical corporate initiatives in 2015.

The Board also took note of the comments of the ACABQ (WFP/EB.A/2015/6(A,B,C,D,E,F,G,H,I,J,K)/2, WFP/EB.A/2015/5-E/2), and the FAO Finance Committee (WFP/EB.A/2015/6(A,B,C,D,E,F,G,H,I,J,K)/3, WFP/EB.A/2015/5-E/3).

26 May 2015

2015/EB.A/13 Annual Report of the Inspector General and Note by the Executive Director

The Board took note of "Annual Report of the Inspector General" (WFP/EB.A/2015/6-F/1) and noted that the oversight work performed and reported did not disclose any significant weaknesses in the internal control, governance or risk management processes in place across WFP that would have a pervasive effect on the achievement of WFP's objectives.

The Board encouraged management to take advantage of the opportunities for improvement highlighted in the report.

The Board took note of "Note by the Executive Director on the Annual Report of the WFP Inspector General" (WFP/EB.A/2015/6-F/1/Add.1).

The Board also took note of the comments of the ACABQ (WFP/EB.A/2015/6(A,B,C,D,E,F,G,H,I,J,K)/2, WFP/EB.A/2015/5-E/2), and the FAO Finance Committee (WFP/EB.A/2015/6(A,B,C,D,E,F,G,H,I,J,K)/3, WFP/EB.A/2015/5-E/3).

27 May 2015

2015/EB.A/14 Report of the External Auditor on the Management of Corporate Emergencies and WFP Management Response

The Board took note of "Report of the External Auditor on the Management of Corporate Emergencies" (WFP/EB.A/2015/6-G/1) and the management response in WFP/EB.A/2015/6-G/1/Add.1, and encouraged further action on the recommendations, taking into account considerations raised by the Board during its discussion.

The Board also took note of the comments of the ACABQ (WFP/EB.A/2015/6(A,B,C,D,E,F,G,H,I,J,K)/2, WFP/EB.A/2015/5-E/2), and the FAO Finance Committee (WFP/EB.A/2015/6(A,B,C,D,E,F,G,H,I,J,K)/3, WFP/EB.A/2015/5-E/3).

27 May 2015

2015/EB.A/15 **Report of the External Auditor on Warehouse Management and WFP Management Response**

The Board took note of "Report of the External Auditor on Warehouse Management" (WFP/EB.A/2015/6-H/1) and the management response in WFP/EB.A/2015/6-H/1/Add.1/Rev.2, and encouraged further action on the recommendations, taking into account considerations raised by the Board during its discussion.

The Board also took note of the comments of the ACABQ (WFP/EB.A/2015/6(A,B,C,D,E,F,G,H,I,J,K)/2, WFP/EB.A/2015/5-E/2), and the FAO Finance Committee (WFP/EB.A/2015/6(A,B,C,D,E,F,G,H,I,J,K)/3, WFP/EB.A/2015/5-E/3).

26 May 2015

2015/EB.A/16 **Report on the Implementation of the External Auditor Recommendations**

The Board took note of "Report on the Implementation of the External Auditor Recommendations" (WFP/EB.A/2015/6-I/1).

The Board also took note of the comments of the ACABQ (WFP/EB.A/2015/6(A,B,C,D,E,F,G,H,I,J,K)/2, WFP/EB.A/2015/5-E/2), and the FAO Finance Committee (WFP/EB.A/2015/6(A,B,C,D,E,F,G,H,I,J,K)/3, WFP/EB.A/2015/5-E/3).

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2015/EB.A/17 **Report on the Utilization of WFP's Advance Financing Mechanisms (1 January–31 December 2014)**

The Board took note of "Report on the Utilization of WFP's Advance Financing Mechanisms (1 January–31 December 2014)" (WFP/EB.A/2015/6-J/1).

The Board also took note of the comments of the ACABQ (WFP/EB.A/2015/6(A,B,C,D,E,F,G,H,I,J,K)/2, WFP/EB.A/2015/5-E/2), and the FAO Finance Committee (WFP/EB.A/2015/6(A,B,C,D,E,F,G,H,I,J,K)/3, WFP/EB.A/2015/5-E/3).

26 May 2015

EVALUATION REPORTS

2015/EB.A/18 Annual Evaluation Report, 2014 and Management Response

The Board took note of "Annual Evaluation Report, 2014" (WFP/EB.A/2015/7-A) and the management response in WFP/EB.A/2015/7-A/Add.1, and encouraged further action on the recommendations, taking into account considerations raised by the Board during its discussion.

27 May 2015

2015/EB.A/19 Summary Evaluation Report of WFP's Preparedness and Response Enhancement Programme (2011–2014) and Management Response

The Board took note of "Summary Evaluation Report of WFP's Preparedness and Response Enhancement Programme (2011–2014)" (WFP/EB.A/2015/7-B) and the management response in WFP/EB.A/2015/7-B/Add.1, and encouraged further action on the recommendations, taking into account considerations raised by the Board during its discussion.

28 May 2015

EAST AND CENTRAL AFRICA PORTFOLIO

2015/EB.A/20 Protracted Relief and Recovery Operations — Ethiopia 200712

The Board approved the proposed protracted relief and recovery operation Ethiopia 200712 "Responding to Humanitarian Crises and Transitioning Food-Insecure Groups to More Resilient Strategies" (WFP/EB.A/2015/9-B/2).

27 May 2015

WEST AFRICA PORTFOLIO

2015/EB.A/21 Country Programmes — Benin 200721 (2015–2018)

The Board approved Benin country programme 200721 for 2015–2018 (WFP/EB.A/2015/8*), for which the food requirement is 13,293 mt at a cost of USD 9.6 million and the cash and voucher requirement is USD 466,897. The total cost to WFP is USD 16.1 million.

27 May 2015

2015/EB.A/22 **Protracted Relief and Recovery Operations — Burkina Faso 200793**

The Board approved the proposed protracted relief and recovery operation Burkina Faso 200793 "Developing Resilience and Fighting Malnutrition" (WFP/EB.A/2015/9-B/1*).

27 May 2015

MIDDLE EAST, NORTH AFRICA, EAST EUROPE AND CENTRAL ASIA PORTFOLIO

2015/EB.A/23 **Summary Evaluation Report on WFP's Response to the Syrian Crisis (2011–2014) and Management Response**

The Board took note of "Summary Evaluation Report on WFP's Response to the Syrian Crisis (2011–2014)" (WFP/EB.A/2015/7-C) and the management response in WFP/EB.A/2015/7-C/Add.1, and encouraged further action on the recommendations, taking into account considerations raised by the Board during its discussion.

28 May 2015

2015/EB.A/24 **Protracted Relief and Recovery Operations — The Sudan 200808**

The Board approved the proposed protracted relief and recovery operation the Sudan 200808 "Support for Food Security and Nutrition for Conflict-Affected and Chronically Vulnerable Populations" (WFP/EB.A/2015/9-B/3*).

28 May 2015

SOUTHERN AFRICA PORTFOLIO

2015/EB.A/25 **Budget Increases to Development Activities — United Republic of Tanzania Country Programme 200200**

The Board approved the proposed budget increase of USD 19.4 million for United Republic of Tanzania country programme 200200 with a 12-month extension from 1 July 2015 to 30 June 2016 (WFP/EB.A/2015/9-A).

28 May 2015

SUMMARY OF THE WORK OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

2015/EB.A/26 **Summary of the Work of the First Regular Session of the Executive Board, 2015**

The Board approved the document "Draft Summary of the Work of the First Regular Session of the Executive Board, 2015", the final version of which would be embodied in the document WFP/EB.1/2015/11.

28 May 2015

OTHER BUSINESS

2015/EB.A/27 The Board requested the Secretariat to include in "Gender Policy (2015–2020)", as an explanatory footnote to page 16, fourth paragraph, the following text:

"There was consensus of the Executive Board and all members agreed on 'Gender Policy (2015–2020)' (WFP/EB.A/2015/5-A), including the principles, activities and operations to which it refers and agreed that WFP does not discriminate on any basis; however, there was not consensus on the formulation of this sentence and some members wanted the words after 'including' through 'intersex' deleted."

28 May 2015

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2. ***Election for Vacant Positions in the Bureau and Appointment of the Rapporteur***
3. ***Opening Remarks by the Executive Director***
4. ***Annual Reports***
   - Annual Performance Report for 2014 (*for approval*)
5. ***Policy Issues***
   a) Gender Policy (*for approval*)
   b) Enterprise Risk Management Policy (*for approval*)
   c) Policy on Building Resilience for Food Security and Nutrition (*for approval*)
   d) South–South and Triangular Cooperation Policy (*for approval*)
   e) Anti-Fraud and Anti-Corruption Policy (*for approval*)
   f) Update on WFP's Response to HIV and AIDS (*for information*)
   g) Update on Implementation of the WFP Gender Mainstreaming Accountability Framework (*for information*)
6. ***Resource, Financial and Budgetary Matters***
   a) Audited Annual Accounts, 2014 (*for approval*)
   b) Appointment of Three Members to the Audit Committee (*for approval*)
   c) Progress on the Financial Framework Review, including Indirect Support Costs (*for approval*)
   d) Strategic Utilization of WFP's PSA Equalization Account (*for approval*)
   e) Annual Report of the Audit Committee (*for consideration*)
   f) Annual Report of the Inspector General (*for consideration*) and Note by the Executive Director (*for consideration*)
   g) Report of the External Auditor on the Management of Corporate Emergencies and WFP Management Response (*for consideration*)
   h) Report of the External Auditor on Warehouse Management and WFP Management Response (*for consideration*)
   i) Report on the Implementation of the External Auditor Recommendations (*for consideration*)
   j) Report on the Utilization of WFP's Advance Financing Mechanisms (1 January–31 December 2014) (*for consideration*)

k) Report of the Executive Director on the Utilization of Contributions and Waivers of Costs (General Rules XII.4 and XIII.4 (h)) (*for information*)

7. ***Evaluation Reports***

a) Annual Evaluation Report, 2014 and Management Response (*for consideration*)

b) Summary Evaluation Report of WFP's Preparedness and Response Enhancement Programme and Management Response (*for consideration*)

c) Summary Evaluation Report on WFP's Response to the Syrian Crisis (2011–2014) and Management Response (*for consideration*)

d) Implementation Status of Evaluation Recommendations (*for information*)

Operational Matters

8. ***Country Programmes*** (*for approval*)

- Benin 200721 (2015–2018)

9. ***Projects for Executive Board Approval***

a) Budget Increases to Development Activities

- United Republic of Tanzania 200200

b) Protracted Relief and Recovery Operations

- Burkina Faso 200793
- Ethiopia (relief) 200712
- Sudan 200808

10. ***Projects Approved by Correspondence*** (*for information*)

Budget Increases to PRRO

- Pakistan 200250

11. ***Organizational and Procedural Matters***

- Biennial Programme of Work of the Executive Board (2015–2016) (*for information*)

12. ***Administrative and Managerial Matters***

a) Address by Staff Representative Bodies to the Board

b) Report on Post-Delivery Losses for the Period 1 January–31 December 2014 (*for information*)

c) Update on WFP Food Procurement (*for information*)

d) Statistical Report on WFP International Professional Staff and Higher Categories (*for information*)

e) WFP Security Report (*for information*)

13. ***Summary of the Work of the First Regular Session of the Executive Board, 2015*** (*for approval*)

14. **Other Business**

- Oral Report on the Joint Field Visit of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS, UNICEF, UN-Women and WFP (*for information*)

15. ***Verification of Approved Decisions and Recommendations***

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DECISIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Adoption of the Agenda

The Board adopted the Agenda.

9 November 2015

Appointment of the Rapporteur

In accordance with Rule XII of its Rules of Procedure, the Board appointed Mr Muhsin Younis Abdul Majid Al-Samaraee (Iraq, List B) Rapporteur of the Second Regular Session of 2015.

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The decisions and recommendations in the current report will be implemented by the Secretariat in the light of the Board's deliberations, from which the main comments will be reflected in the summary of the work of the session.

CURRENT AND FUTURE STRATEGIC ISSUES

2015/EB.2/1 Opening Remarks by the Executive Director

The Board took note of the presentation by the Executive Director. The main points of the presentation and the Board's comments would be contained in the summary of the work of the session.

9 November 2015

POLICY ISSUES

2015/EB.2/2 Evaluation Policy (2016–2021)

The Board approved "Evaluation Policy (2016–2021)" (WFP/EB.2/2015/4-A/Rev.1).

9 November 2015

2015/EB.2/3 Update on WFP's Role in the Collective Humanitarian Response

The Board took note of "Update on WFP's Role in the Collective Humanitarian Response" (WFP/EB.2/2015/4-B) taking into account considerations raised by the Board during its discussion.

9 November 2015

2015/EB.2/4 Update on Collaboration among the Rome-Based Agencies

The Board took note of "Update on Collaboration among the Rome-Based Agencies: A WFP Perspective" (WFP/EB.2/2015/4-C/Rev.1) and encouraged further action on the way forward described in paragraphs 55 to 62, taking into account considerations raised by the Board during its discussion.

9 November 2015

RESOURCE, FINANCIAL AND BUDGETARY MATTERS

2015/EB.2/5 WFP Management Plan (2016–2018)

Having considered WFP's Management Plan for 2016–2018, as submitted by the Executive Director in document WFP/EB.2/2015/5-A/1/Rev.1, the Board:

i. **took note** that the 2016 Programme Support and Administrative (PSA) appropriation assumes a funding level of USD 4.9 billion in 2016;

ii. **took note** of the projected operational requirements of USD 8.6 billion for 2016 and the prioritization proposals to align this with anticipated funding, as outlined in Section III;

iii. **approved** a 2016 PSA appropriation of USD 290.3 million, to be allocated as follows:

Programme support: regional bureaux and country offices	USD 107.4 million
Programme support: Headquarters	USD 50.1 million
Management and administration	USD 132.8 million
Total	**USD 290.3 million**

iv. **approved** the allocation of USD 17.0 million for critical corporate initiatives from the PSA Equalization Account, as outlined in Section IV;

v. **approved** the allocation of USD 3 million, in 2016, as a critical corporate initiative from the PSA Equalization Account, i) for investment in the re-engineering and realignment of processes to deliver further savings and improve mission focus at the field level and ii) to finalize during 2016 the business case for the proposed global service centre;

vi. **approved** use of the General Fund to charge investment management costs up to USD 1 million per annum from interest income accrued to the General Fund;

vii. **approved** an indirect support cost recovery rate of 7.0 percent for 2016;

viii. **authorized** the Executive Director to adjust the PSA component of the budget in accordance with a change in the level of the forecasted income for the year, at a rate not to exceed 2 percent of the anticipated change in income; and

ix. **approved** a ceiling of USD 82 million for corporate services advances from 2016 and looked forward to reviewing this regularly as part of future management plans.

The Board also took note of the comments of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (ACABQ) (WFP/EB.2/2015/5(A,B,C,D)/2) and the FAO Finance Committee (WFP/EB.2/2015/5(A,B,C,D)/3).

9 November 2015

2015/EB.2/6 Appointment of the WFP External Auditor for the Term 1 July 2016–30 June 2022

The Executive Board appointed the Cour des Comptes of France as the WFP External Auditor for the term 1 July 2016 to 30 June 2022.

The total annual remuneration of the External Auditor shall be USD 380,000, inclusive of fees and all other costs and expenses, to be paid in quarterly instalments.

The Board authorized the Board President to sign the contract between WFP and the Cour des Comptes of France on its behalf.

The Board also took note of the comments of the ACABQ (WFP/EB.2/2015/5(A,B,C,D)/2) and the FAO Finance Committee (WFP/EB.2/2015/5(A,B,C,D)/3).

10 November 2015

2015/EB.2/7 Update on the Financial Framework Review

Having considered the "Update on the Financial Framework Review" (WFP/EB.2/2015/5-C/1) the Board:

vi) took note of the ongoing work of the Financial Framework Review, the proposed timeline and cost estimates for 2015 and 2016;

vii) took note of the review of the Programme Support and Administrative Equalization Account target level and the Secretariat's conclusion that the target level should be increased from the equivalent of four months of approved Programme Support and Administrative expenditure to five months; and that a "floor" should be established equivalent to two months of approved Programme Support and Administrative expenditure; and

viii) looked forward to regular updates on the Financial Framework Review.

The Board also took note of the comments of the ACABQ (WFP/EB.2/2015/5(A,B,C,D)/2) and the FAO Finance Committee (WFP/EB.2/2015/5(A,B,C,D)/3).

10 November 2015

EVALUATION REPORTS

2015/EB.2/8 Summary Evaluation Report of the Nutrition Policy (2012–2014) and Management Response

The Board took note of "Summary Evaluation Report of the Nutrition Policy (2012–2014)" (WFP/EB.2/2015/6-A) and the management response in WFP/EB.2/2015/6-A/Add.1, and encouraged further action on the recommendations, taking into account considerations raised by the Board during its discussion.

10 November 2015

2015/EB.2/9 Summary Report of the Joint Evaluation of the REACH Initiative (2011–2015) and Management Response

The Board took note of "Summary Report of the Joint Evaluation of the REACH Initiative (2011–2015)" (WFP/EB.2/2015/6-C*) and the management response in WFP/EB.2/2015/6-C/Add.1*, and encouraged further action on the recommendations, taking into account considerations raised by the Board during its discussion.

10 November 2015

2015/EB.2/10 Synthesis Report of the Evaluations of WFP's Emergency Preparedness and Response and Management Response

The Board took note of "Synthesis Report of the Evaluations of WFP's Emergency Preparedness and Response" (WFP/EB.2/2015/6-B) and the management response in WFP/EB.2/2015/6-B/Add.1, and encouraged further action on the recommendations, taking into account considerations raised by the Board during its discussion.

10 November 2015

2015/EB.2/11 Synthesis Report of 2014–2015 Operation Evaluations

The Board took note of "Synthesis Report of 2014–2015 Operation Evaluations" (WFP/EB.2/2015/6-E*) taking into account considerations raised by the Board during its discussion.

10 November 2015

LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN PORTFOLIO

2015/EB.2/12 Budget Increases to Protracted Relief and Recovery Operations — Central America 200490

The Board approved the proposed budget increase of USD 58.7 million for the Central America regional protracted relief and recovery operation 200490 "Restoring Food Security and Livelihoods for Vulnerable Groups Affected by Recurrent Shocks in El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua" (WFP/EB.2/2015/8-C/3).

10 November 2015

2015/EB.2/13 Budget Increases to Development Activities — Haiti Development Project 200150

The Board approved the proposed budget increase of USD 40.7 million for Haiti development project 200150 (WFP/EB.2/2015/8-A/3) with a two-year extension from 1 January 2016 to 31 December 2017.

10 November 2015

EAST AND CENTRAL AFRICA PORTFOLIO

2015/EB.2/14 Country Programme — Uganda 200894 (2016–2020)

The Board approved country programme Uganda 200894 (2016–2020) (WFP/EB.2/2015/7/1*), for which the food requirement is 49,759 mt at a cost of USD 47.8 million and the capacity development and augmentation cost is US 34.6 million, at a total cost to WFP of USD 103.5 million.

11 November 2015

2015/EB.2/15 Protracted Relief and Recovery Operations — Uganda 200852

The Board approved the proposed protracted relief and recovery operation Uganda 200852 "Food Assistance for Vulnerable Households" (WFP/EB.2/2015/8-B/5 + Corr.1).

11 November 2015

2015/EB.2/16 Protracted Relief and Recovery Operations — Somalia 200844

The Board approved the proposed protracted relief and recovery operation Somalia 200844 "Reducing Malnutrition and Strengthening Resilience to Shocks for a Food-Secure Somalia" (WFP/EB.2/2015/8-B/4).

11 November 2015

2015/EB.2/17 Budget Increases to Protracted Relief and Recovery Operations — Ethiopia 200712

The Board approved the proposed budget increase of USD 131 million for Ethiopia protracted relief and recovery operation 200712 "Responding to Humanitarian Crises and Transitioning Food-Insecure Groups to More Resilient Strategies" (WFP/EB.2/2015/8-C/4).

11 November 2015

2015/EB.2/18 Budget Increases to Protracted Relief and Recovery Operations — South Sudan 200572

The Board approved the proposed budget increase of USD 258.8 million for protracted relief and recovery operation South Sudan 200572 with a 12-month extension from 1 January to 31 December 2016 (WFP/EB.2/2015/8-C/1).

11 November 2015

ASIA PORTFOLIO

2015/EB.2/19 Country Programme — Sri Lanka 200866 (2016–2017)

The Board approved country programme Sri Lanka 200866 (2016–2017) (WFP/EB.2/2015/7/2), for which the food requirement is 10,956 mt at a cost of USD 7.9 million and the cash-based transfer requirement is USD 4.5 million; the total cost to WFP is USD 19.7 million.

11 November 2015

2015/EB.2/20 Protracted Relief and Recovery Operations — Nepal 200875

The Board approved the proposed protracted relief and recovery operation Nepal 200875 "Restoring Food and Nutrition Security and Building Resilient Livelihoods in Earthquake-Affected Areas" (WFP/EB.2/2015/8-B/2).

11 November 2015

2015/EB.2/21 Protracted Relief and Recovery Operations — Pakistan 200867

The Board approved the proposed protracted relief and recovery operation Pakistan 200867 "Transition: Towards Resilient and Food-Secure Pakistan" (WFP/EB.2/2015/8-B/3/Rev.1).

11 November 2015

2015/EB.2/22 Budget Increases to Development Activities — Lao People's Democratic Republic Country Programme 200242

The Board approved the proposed budget increase of USD 17.6 million for the country programme Lao People's Democratic Republic 200242 (WFP/EB.2/2015/8-A/1), with a one-year extension from 1 January to 31 December 2016.

11 November 2015

2015/EB.2/23 Budget Increases to Protracted Relief and Recovery Operations — Myanmar 200299

The Board approved the proposed budget increase of USD 134.8 million for protracted relief and recovery operation Myanmar 200299 "Supporting Transition by Reducing Food Insecurity and Undernutrition among the Most Vulnerable", with a two-year extension from 1 January 2016 to 31 December 2017 (WFP/EB.2/2015/8-C/2).

11 November 2015

SOUTHERN AFRICA PORTFOLIO

2015/EB.2/24 Summary Evaluation Report — United Republic of Tanzania Country Portfolio (2011–2014) and Management Response

The Board took note of "Summary Evaluation Report – United Republic of Tanzania Country Portfolio (2011–2014)" (WFP/EB.2/2015/6-D) and the management response in WFP/EB.2/2015/6-D/Add.1, and encouraged further action on the recommendations, taking into account considerations raised by the Board during its discussion.

12 November 2015

2015/EB.2/25 Country Programme — Zambia 200891 (2016–2020)

The Board approved country programme Zambia 200891 (2016–2020) (WFP/EB.2/2015/7/3), for which the food requirement is 9,951 mt, at a cost of USD 4.2 million, the cash-based transfer requirement is USD 3.1 million and the capacity development and augmentation requirement is USD 13.6 million, at a total cost to WFP of USD 33.5 million.

12 November 2015

2015/EB.2/26 Budget Increases to Development Activities — Mozambique Country Programme 200286

The Board approved the proposed budget increase of USD 12.9 million for country programme Mozambique 200286 with a 12-month extension from 1 January to 31 December 2016 (WFP/EB.2/2015/8-A/2).

12 November 2015

2015/EB.2/27 Protracted Relief and Recovery Operations — Democratic Republic of the Congo 200832

The Board approved the proposed protracted relief and recovery operation Democratic Republic of the Congo 200832 "Targeted Food Assistance to Victims of Armed Conflicts and Other Vulnerable Groups" (WFP/EB.2/2015/8-B/1).

12 November 2015

ORGANIZATIONAL AND PROCEDURAL MATTERS

2015/EB.2/28 Biennial Programme of Work of the Executive Board (2016–2017)

The Board approved "Biennial Programme of Work of the Executive Board (2016–2017)" (WFP/EB.2/2015/11*) as proposed by the Bureau and the Secretariat.

12 November 2015

SUMMARY OF THE WORK OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

2015/EB.2/29 Summary of the Work of the Annual Session of the Executive Board, 2015

The Board approved "Draft Summary of the Work of the Annual Session of the Executive Board, 2015", the final version of which would be embodied in the document WFP/EB.A/2015/16.

12 November 2015

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1. ***Adoption of the Agenda*** *(for approval)*
2. ***Appointment of the Rapporteur***
3. ***Opening Remarks by the Executive Director***
4. ***Policy Issues***

   Evaluation Policy (2016–2021) (*for approval*)

   Update on WFP's Role in the Collective Humanitarian Response (*for consideration*)

   Update on Collaboration among the Rome-Based Agencies (*for consideration*)

   Compendium of Policies Relating to the Strategic Plan (*for information*)
5. ***Resource, Financial and Budgetary Matters***
   a) WFP Management Plan (2016–2018) (*for approval*)
   b) Appointment of the WFP External Auditor for the Term 1 July 2016–30 June 2022 (*for approval*)
   c) Update on the Financial Framework Review (*for consideration*)
   d) Work Plan of the External Auditor (*for information*)
6. ***Evaluation Reports*** *(for consideration)*
   a) Summary Evaluation Report of the Nutrition Policy (2012–2014) and Management Response
   b) Synthesis Report of the Evaluations of WFP's Emergency Preparedness and Response and Management Response
   c) Summary Report of the Joint Evaluation of the REACH Initiative (2011–2015) and Management Response
   d) Summary Evaluation Report – United Republic of Tanzania Country Portfolio (2011–2014) and Management Response
   e) Synthesis Report of 2014–2015 Operation Evaluations

Operational Matters

7. ***Country Programmes*** (*for approval*)

   Sri Lanka 200866 (2016–2017)

   Uganda 200894 (2016–2020)

   Zambia 200891 (2016–2020)

8. ***Projects for Executive Board Approval*** *(for approval)*

a) Budget increases to development activities

- Haiti DEV 200150
- Lao People's Democratic Republic CP 200242
- Mozambique CP 200286

b) Protracted relief and recovery operations

- Democratic Republic of the Congo 200832
- Nepal 200875
- Pakistan 200867
- Somalia 200844
- Uganda 200842
- Zimbabwe 200892 – **WITHDRAWN**

c) Budget increases to protracted relief and recovery operations

- Central America 200490
- Ethiopia 200712
- Myanmar 200299
- South Sudan 200572

9. ***Projects Approved by Correspondence*** *(for information)*

Budget Increases to PRROs

- Malawi 200692

10. ***Reports of the Executive Director on Operational Matters*** *(for information)*

a) Protracted Relief and Recovery Operations Approved by the Executive Director (1 January–30 June 2015)

- Djibouti 200824
- Rwanda 200744

b) Budget Increases to Protracted Relief and Recovery Operations Approved by the Executive Director (1 January–30 June 2015)

c) Emergency Operations Approved by the Executive Director or by the Executive Director and the Director-General of FAO (1 January–30 June 2015)

11. ***Organizational and Procedural Matters***

- Biennial Programme of Work of the Executive Board (2016–2017) *(for approval)*

12. ***Summary of the Work of the Annual Session of the Executive Board, 2015*** (*for approval*)

13. ***Other Business***

- Report on the Joint Field Visit to Jordan of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS, UNICEF, UN-Women and WFP (*for information*)
- Report on the Field Visit to Pakistan of the WFP Executive Board (*for information*)

14. ***Verification of Approved Decisions and Recommendations***

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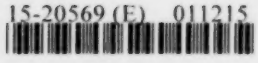

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